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Business Manager

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The illustration herewith shows the set. The values we have are complete, from the 1 centavo to the 500 peso value. This set usually is offered at from 25c to 50c or even more when in the market. During the period in which it was issued, copies were sometimes used postally. It is a very interesting set, and is known as the Denver issue, because it was printed by a large lithograph house in Denver, Colorado, for the Villa Government.

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Indiana Tri-State Meet Big Success

Visitors From Neighboring States Dub it Dry-State Meet

THE Editor of Linn's Weekly and his personal Chauffeur E. E. Parker made a Week end trip to attend the third annual Tri-State stamp meet-

ing Sponsored by the Indiana Stamp Club of Indianapolis. Ed insisted on driving his new DeSoto, claiming that he wanted to get 5000 miles on it before the 90 day guarantee wore out. The weather was delightful all the way and the country was beautiful. From Columbus to Indianapolis is just one long concrete road in perfect condition and the trip was made in about five hours of easy driving.

The corn in Indiana looked fine but it was all in the fields, perhaps last years crop has all been drunk up. Anyhow, the Lockerbie Hotel was found without much trouble and the festivities were in full swing when we hit the town.

An excellent exhibit was on display Saturday. Indiana collectors run strong on air mail covers and other novelty covers, several exponents of this branch of Philately being among the Indianapolis members.

The Lockerbie Cup was presented to LeGrand Payne for his exhibit of Air Mail stamps. Mrs. Grace Watson Duckwall received first award for a display of U. S. stamps. Marion F. Clarke got a blue ribbon for steamship covers, Glenn Padgett a red ribbon for Air Mail Field covers, W. A. Coombs a blue ribbon for a display of Zeppelin stamps and H. H. Coburn a blue ribbon for a miscellaneous display. Allen P. Vestal carried off the red ribbon for pre-

canceled and J. Stanley Petri got first award for a foreign display.

Walter Brink of Genesee Depot, Wis., assisted by Don Greve and W. W. Betts of Cleveland, Ohio, acted as Judges.

Following the display in the afternoon, an informal dinner gathering was held in the Lockerbie Grill. After this the crowd gathered in the auction room where Doc Brumfield ably assisted by H. H. Coburn and A. P. Vestal talked the collectors out of some exorbitant prices for a couple hundred lots of stamps. Some things went fairly low because the auction crew got tired of working but on the whole most dealers would like to sell at the kind of prices paid for many of the items.

It was quite late when the sale closed after which most of the Indiana boys went home and to bed. We believe the principal reason for this was that so many of them were accompanied by their wives who played bridge in an adjoining room while the auction was in progress. After efforts on the part of a couple northern Ohio visitors a quiet session to discuss stamps and while away the early morning hours before getting into the second day of the meeting was arranged in one of the rooms on the upper floor. Mr. Zix of Indianapolis consented to stick around and help entertain the boys from the neighboring states and after the meeting came to order there were Don Greve and W. W. Betts of Cleveland; John McCullough of Oblong, Ill.; George Linn and E. E. Parker of Columbus and Mr. Zix of Indianapolis. A. D. Fennel, Editor of the American

Philatelist was about earlier in the evening and we understand he was playing bridge again, when we looked for him in the evening he could not be found.

Anyhow a very pleasant evening was whiled away and as is usual in meetings of this sort that your Editor has attended at Cleveland, Ohio, the Cleveland boys were very lavish in supplying the entertainment. (Louie Hanford please note). This meeting broke up in time to get an early breakfast with the Cleveland visitors and put them in their car and see them off on the way to Cleveland just at the break of day. It is so seldom that the writer ever has an opportunity to see the day dawn that such an event is one well worth recording.

Zix stuck around until the finish and we understand that he felt well repaid for his efforts. At the last minute we found out that he was a widower and that was ample explanation why he was not home in bed like the rest of the Indiana collectors.

Sunday is a quiet day in Indianapolis, that is everything was quiet except the street cars which bumped across the frogs in the crossings with so much persistence that sleeping after 7 o'clock was out of the question so Parker and I got up and prepared for the festivities for the day.

After a breakfast and a window shopping trip through the down town section we gathered at the hotel where local collectors began to drop in and a few additional out of towners made their appearance. A. L. Jones of Precancel fame from the Banks of the

Wabash got there about ten o'clock. Al was loaded with precancels and Indiana boasts a lot of these fellows. A. P. Vestal says they are Depression stamps. You can have the fun with them even without any money to spend on them.

Long before the hour set for the annual dinner the hotel rooms were filled with a large crowd of local collectors and their ladies, in fact we never saw so many handsome ladies at a stamp gathering as there were at this event, fully half the seats at the table were filled with ladies and in some instances well filled.

Dr. Ert Rogers, president of the Club introduced A. P. Vestal who acted as Toastmaster and who filled the position with credit to himself and the Club. In appreciation of the courtesies of the Hotel Lockerbie management toward the Indiana Stamp Club a handsome framed picture of James Whitcomb Riley was presented to the manager of the Hotel.

Brief remarks were made by numerous of these seated at the tables and the principal talk was delivered by Dr. Homer P. Macnamara of Springfield, Ill., who spoke on Salvador and its postage stamps. His talk was very attentively listened to by all and was most interesting. Dr. Macnamara spoke first about the country, telling many things of interest and then explained the various stamp issues and pointed out their interesting features.

It was hoped that a list of those from out of the city as well as a list of the local collectors who attended the meeting could be obtained but at this date no such list is available. One of the delightful things about a meeting of this sort is to meet in person men whom you have corresponded with for many years. We remember with much pleasure Mr. H. M. Gould, Albert R. Davis, H. E. French, Mr. Bushnell, father of the Precancel catalogue, and many others whom we had the pleasure of meeting.

Mrs. Duckwall is the leading exponent of U. S. Stamps in Indianapolis and is ably assisted by Anna May Johnson who is also an enthusiastic collector.

What we want to know is why more ladies do not collect stamps. In conversation with Mrs. Padgett, we suggested a collection plan to her and feel sure if she will follow it that she will take a prize at the next meeting of the Club.

KANS. — NEBR.

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Indiana collectors were all invited to attend the Convention of the S. P. A. to be held in Columbus in August and several of them promised to be on hand. When it was hinted to them that the corn crop in Ohio had not been exhausted several of them seemed to take considerable interest in planning to attend the convention.

Anyhow, it was a delightful meeting. The delegation from Columbus enjoyed every minute of it. They as well as the rest of the collectors in this city want the Indiana boys to come over and visit with us in August and every effort will be made to show them an enjoyable time.

The following list of out of town visitors reached Columbus in time for listing in this number.

Dr. Homer Macnamara, Springfield, Ill.; James Pease, Franklin, Ind.; D. K. Grieve, Cleveland, O.; Paul Bauer, Lafayette, Ind.; Eber Williams, Richmond, Ind.; Earl Darnell, and Earle G. Gillette, Lebanon, Ind.; Mrs. Ed. F. Zeller, Los Angeles, Calif.; C. L. McNutt, Bedford, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Brink, Genesee Depot, Wis.; Edward Meisberger, New Marion, Ind.; R. H. Tapp, and Jack Strawberry, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Ed Linton, Brazil, So. America; W. Stanley Porter, Franklin, Ind.; Phillip G. Weidner, Richmond, Ind.; F. H. McCullough, and J. D. McCullough, Oblong, Ill.; Chas. Cadwallader, Crawfordsville, Ind.; E. E. Parker, and George W. Linn, Columbus, O.; Guy H. Miller, Martinsville, Ill.; Adolph Fennell, Cincinnati, O.; Wm. A. Coombs, Oak Park, Ill.; John Scott, Shelbyville, Ind.; Albert L. Jones, Wabash, Ind.; George Vornwald, Columbus, Ind.; W. W. Betts, Cleveland, O.; Everett Ryan, Beech Grove, Ind.; Raymond Hinshaw, Carmel, Ind.

BLOCK OF FOUR RED CROSS STAMPS IN ONE COLOR

Yes sir, we have it before us as we write this story. A block of four of the new Red Cross Stamp all printed in black. This block is autographed on the margin of the sheet by Alvin R. Meissner, a designer at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington. The autographed block was sent to Dr. W. A. P. Andrews of Long Beach, Calif. a personal friend of Mr. Meissner.

Dr. Andrews took the block to the office of the Press-Telegram at Long Beach and the noble editor printed the picture in the issue of Tuesday, June 9, and thus we have a block of the Red Cross all in black. (Clipping from Roy S. Webb.)

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Cuba Aeras, AP3, 5c to \$1.00, 8 var. ... 3.10	
Curacao Provisional, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c on 3c03	
Czechoslovakia, new 3k brown14	
New 10k violet44	
Eritrea, Somaliland, Aegean Is., Tripolitania, Virgil is., 9 vr. ea. set. 1.70	
India—Patiala Official, 1R brn. & grn. .55	
Italy, Aegean Is., Virgil Aeras, 4 vr. 1.50	
Kenya & Uganda Due, 30c brown10	
Macau Charity, 5a violet, buff. .03	
Nigeria, new colors, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3d12	
Portugal A100, 25c blue green03	
S. W. A. Officials, A25/36, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 6d, Pairs52	
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Edited by ————— RALPH A. KIMBLE
8118 Dante Avenue — Chicago, Illinois

UNITED STATES—The only thing in the way of a freak in the new Red Cross stamp that has appeared thus far was shown us today by Mr. S. S. Bendet. The upper right corner of a sheet was so folded that a double perforation occurred, just missing the corner stamp, but making a curious diagonal corner perforation design on the top margin.

We have also been shown what is to all appearances a true double-paper copy of the current 2c postage stamp (No. 634). Mr. Charles Gordon submits it for inspection and there is no doubt of its authenticity.

AUSTRIA—In addition to the Rotary Club provisional which will have appeared by this time we learn that on the coming Oct. 1st there will be issued another special charity series bearing the portrait of the most noted Austrian poets. Values will be 10-20-30-40-50gr and 1 sch., and 100,000 complete sets are ordered.

(Gibbons Stamp Monthly)

AZORES—Another value in the current overprinted series has appeared. This is the usual surcharge "ACORES" on the "Ceres" type of Portugal, but in the Lon-

don printing this time (no imprint at foot):

A30 80c purple.

(Mr. R. Roberts)

BELGIUM—A new Special Delivery stamp of fine appearance is at hand. This is of the same size and general design as those of the 1929 series but shows a view of a monument and some state building, with trees in the foreground. The name "EUPEN" appears in small white letters under the picture. No watermark, perf. 11½.

2.45fr. dark green.

(Mr. Rene Boon)

There is also forecast a set of stamps in new designs, the low values showing the figure of value on a white ground, superimposed on the Arms of Belgium. Higher centime values will show Mercury with staff in hand. The highest values, from 1fr to 5fr, will show King Albert in military uniform.

(Philatelic Magazine)

BULGARIA—The three values of the new series showing King Boris in uniform, reported May 30th, are to be followed by four more values to complete the series. Values to appear soon are: 1-2-4-12 levas.

(Whitfield King & Co.)

CHILE—We chronicled seven varieties of the new Air Post series last week. Now we learn that there is also a 2 peso value, printed in dark gray, and of the same type as the 1p. This 2p value however, was the joker in the deck, for only 14,500 were issued, resulting of course in the entire issue being bought up by speculators. Dealers will have to pay the price or else sell short sets, and that of course comes right back to the collector. We re-list the entire series below, giving the number issued in each case:

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2641 4c 1907 on amber13
2642 6c 1907 on amber17
2645 2c 1907 on buff05
2650 2c 1907 on blue05
2661 2c on white, error "Postage"	1.00
2662 3c on white15
2662 1c on brown glazed08
2684 2 on 3c surcharged35
2685 2 on 3c surcharged50
2687 2 on 3c surcharged10
2695 2 on 3c surcharged07
2697 2 on 3c surcharged10
2699 2 on 3c surcharged07
2721 1½ on 1c surcharged17
2725 1½ on 1c surcharged07
2727 1½ on 1c surcharged40
2728 1½ on 1c surcharged07
2733 1½ on 1c (cat. \$1.50)50
2734 1½ on 1c surcharged20
2736 1½ on 1c surcharged33
2737 1½ on 1c surcharged33
2738 1½ on 1c surcharged33
2739 1½ on 1c surcharged07
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 5p pale red (500,000)

(Stamp Imports, Inc.)

CHINA—Several changes are forecast for China, to-wit:

- 1—A new postage series in changed designs.
- 2—A series in commemoration of the National Congress, bearing a portrait of Sun Yat Sen.
- 3—A 6c brown and a 9c scarlet, a color change and a new value in the present series.
- 4—The discontinuance of the current 3c and 13c, as these values are no longer used.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

CUBA—The recently predicted series of air-post stamps for interior use only has been officially authorized, the decree listing the following values and numbers to be printed:

10c black—1,000,000
 20c carmine—200,000
 50c blue—100,000

The design is to show a Ford tri-motored plane over mountain scenery.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

DANZIG—The special series of overprinted provisionals celebrating the 10th anniversary of the constitution was issued last December, but few have been seen by collectors. We now learn that there were only 26,000 complete sets issued, and that these were sold out immediately.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

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(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

ERITREA—Two values of a new definitive postage set have reached us. These are similar in appearance to Type A85 of Italy, but have the words "Poste Italiane" at the top and "ERITREA" at the bottom, with both the ordinary and native figures of value. Apparently Eritrea has graduated from the provisional postage class and is to have her own designs.

50c brown and olive-green
 75c bright rose.

(Mr. R. Roberts)

GREECE—Something caused a change of heart, and the special Archeological series forecast last February has been abandoned and will not appear.

(Stamp Collecting)

HONGKONG—A revision of the postage rates to come into effect shortly will probably mean a number of color changes or new stamps.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ICELAND—The special Zeppelin air-post provisional series of three stamps has appeared. These are Scott's No. 118-121-122 overprinted in black in two lines: "Zeppelin—1931". No figures as to number issued are published yet:

A8 30a red and green
 A8 1kr deep blue and dark brown
 A8 2kr olive-brown and myrtle-green
 (Eugene Klein)
 (Helge Hasselbaum)

INDIA—The recent Delhi commemorative set which proved so popular was issued in the following rather generous quantities:

1/4a 5,866,560
 1/2a 14,731,200
 1a 19,476,000

(Philatelic Magazine)

PARAGUAY—The 60th anniversary of the establishment of the Paraguayan fleet has brought forth a special postage series of two stamps and a new air-post series of five values. Designs for the postage values shows the battleship "Humaita" under full steam. The 1.50p blue is overprinted with a red "C" in the upper left corner to indicate it was sold in the provinces rather than in Asuncion. The air stamps are of the same general design, but show the battleship "Paraguay", and bear the additional words "Correo Aero" at the top. All stamps are of the same large horizontal form, 49 1/2 x 22 1/2 mm, perf. 12 unwatermarked:

Postage
 1.50p violet
 1.50p blue (overprinted "C")

Air Post
 1p dull claret
 2p orange
 3p turquoise
 6p dark blue-green
 10p red.

(Stamp Imports, Inc.)

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 Mexico 25c Exposition (1) 18c
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PERSIA—The supply of low values of the current postage series becoming exhausted, Persia is in the process of issuing a new design in these values one by one as needed. Design shows a small head of the Shah facing to the right, with the border in a second color. Of special interest is the fact that Persia has imported the necessary machinery and is now printing these, her first locally-produced two-color stamps. Two values have thus far appeared, unwatermarked, rough perforated 11.

6ch light ultramarine and vermilion
9ch vermilion and violet.

(Mr. R. Y. Mottahede)

PERU—Three provisional surcharges have been made on the recent Bolivar commemoratives for the aid of the unemployed. The overprint reads: "Habilitada Pro Desocupados 2 cts." in four lines horizontally. In addition one new 2c stamp of a definite design with the same wording and showing the figure of a workman:

Overprints
2c on 4c scarlet
2c on 10c blue-green
2c on 15c slate-blue

New Design
2c green.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)
(Stamp Collecting)

ROMANIA—Three high values showing King Carol three-quarter face in a medallion surmounted by a crown have been added to the current postage series:

30 lei olive-bistre and blue

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(Stamp Collecting)

There have also appeared a flood of commemoratives, four sets of them all at once! The first series marks the 50th anniversary of Roumania as a kingdom, and are of various shapes, showing the kings of Roumania and the dates 1881-1931:

1 lei deep violet
2 lei green
6 lei brown-lake
10 lei blue
20 lei orange.

Then we have another series of seven values commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Roumanian Army (Evidently it existed for fifty years before it had a country.) These show various army types and are of different sizes and shapes, all inscribed "1830-1931":

25 bani, black
50 bani, chocolate
1 lei, deep violet
2 lei, green
3 lei, carmine
7.50 lei ultramarine
16 lei blue-green.

Third, comes a very beautiful series of four values marking the 50th anniversary of the Roumanian Navy, each stamp showing a different type of fighting ship:

6 lei brown-lake
10 lei blue
16 lei blue-green
20 lei orange.

Lastly, there is a short series of three stamps inscribed "TIMBRUL AVIATIEI" and issued to raise money for the national aviation fund. They are of small size and show a plane in flight over mountains:

50 bani, blue-green
1 lei, brown
2 lei, ultramarine.
(Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly)

RUSSIA—The new series of five Zeppelin stamps are out now, of various large sizes, showing an airship with different backgrounds. It is reported that the first supplies of these were issued imperforate to be ready for the inauguration of the new air-lines:

10k violet
15k dark blue
20k red
50k brown
1r green.

(L'Echo de la Timbrologie)

SAAR—The 20c pictorial of 1927 (No. 122) has appeared with the overprint "DIENSTMARKE" for official use:

A33 20c orange-brown.

(Philatelic Magazine)

SAN MARINO—The new air-post series forecast June 6th has appeared and is certainly a magnificent thing, tho certainly unnecessary from a postal standpoint. The stamps are of very large size,

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(Unione Filatelica Nazionale S. A.)

SARAWAK—It is reported that the new postage series forecast recently will be issued very soon and will consist of the same values as the 1928-29 series (No. 79-93) except that the 16c will be left out and a 15c added.

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RED CROSS PLATE NUMBERS

By Ralph A. Kimble

The past week has been the most productive of any thus far, with more than sixty friends from all over the country telling us of new plate number combinations. No less than eighty-four new combinations are listed this week to add to those chronicled in our issues of June 6-13-20th. At this stage of the game we think it advisable to make a correction in certain plate numbers listed in our June 13th number. Red plate numbers 20442-3-4 were reported to us as having been used with all black plates from 20434 to 20441 inclusive. This was reported from one source only, and we have not had any confirmation of these among the hundreds of letters received. In view of this we hereby cancel those particular combinations containing the three red plates No. 20442-3-4 and until we actually see blocks containing these numbers will consider these plates as assigned but not sent to press. All other combinations have been confirmed many times over.

To those who are reading this for the first time we will re-state the known plates which have actually been used: Black plates are numbered 20434-41, 20450-57 and 20466-9, a total of twenty. Red plates are numbered 20445-9, 20489-503, a total of twenty. If each black plate is used in combination with each red one it is obvious that there will be four hundred different combinations. Of these we have, with today's listing, 357, leaving only 43 possible combinations unreported. The next week or two will tell whether these other 43 exist. Probably they do. It is also reported unofficially that it is quite possible that eight more plates may be assigned and used for each color, and still another report states that an additional fifty million of the stamps may be issued owing to the enormous demand for them. This is NOT yet official, and the present issue amounts thus far to only the original fifty million.

No inverted crosses yet, but many that are badly out of register, their location varying widely over the NW corner of the stamp. A red dot has been reported as constant on red plate No. 20492, appearing just over the tip of the "1" in 1931. This we have found on many other plates also so can hardly consider it a variety. An amusing feature has been the adverse criticism in certain stamp papers as to the beauty of the stamp. Certain writers still delight in taking perverse attitudes, in which they are opposed to the great majority. Certainly there is no question but that the Red Cross stamp is one of the finest productions in years, and in this opinion we are borne out by the many let-

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20435	20499
20437	20491-9
20438	20501
20439	20490-3
20440	20501
20441	20496-7
20450	20491-2-6-8-502
20451	20490-1-2-8-9
20452	20490-1-2-502
20453	20492-503
20454	20445-7-90-1-3-6-7-8-501
20455	20448-96-7-9-500-1-3
20456	20446-93-501
20457	20497
20466	20445-89-92-3-4-6-8-500-3
20467	20445-89-90-1-2-3-4-5-8-503
20468	20448-89-91-2-5-7-8-9-500
20469	20445-8-89-90-1-4-5-8-501

Notice that black plate 20467 is reported for the first time. All twenty of the black plates have been reported now, nine of them having been used in combination with all twenty of the red plates. All twenty of the red plates have been used also, but only four of them thus far in combination with all black plates. There are one or two trick combinations apparently, and we are watching with interest to see if they are reported. If you will make yourself a simple graphic chart, ruling off on a paper an area twenty spaces wide by twenty high, or four hundred little squares in one large square, you can easily check off the squares which have been reported and see for yourself which have yet to be found.

All this information has been made possible by the wonderful help we have received from the many readers of this section. We

acknowledge with sincere appreciation the assistance of you all, and know that it will be kept up until this listing is complete. Send all your information and questions to Ralph A. Kimble, 8118 Dante Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Where an answer is required we appreciate the courtesy of a stamped return envelope. Our special thanks this week are herewith accorded to the following long list of names for our honor roll:

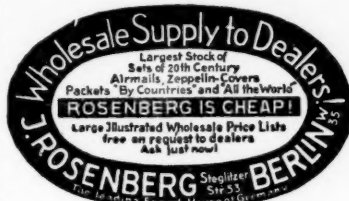
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NO IMPERF. RED CROSS

On May 16, we published at the suggestion of other parties a statement to the effect that it was believed that if enough requests were made on the postoffice Department at Washington that it was probable that the Red Cross stamps might be offered imperforate to collectors.

We regret the publication of this matter for we are assured by a letter from Mr. F. A. Tilton, Third Assistant Postmaster General that "no arrangements have been made for the issuing of imperforate Red Cross stamps if sufficient demand is created". Mr. Tilton further states, "since the department began the manufacture of coils of 3000 stamps there is no longer any postal need for issuing stamps in the imperforate variety. Under these conditions it will serve no purpose for collectors to request the department to issue imperforate stamps."

Buro Prints

Information regarding new issues and notes of interest should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

C. C. WEBER Editor
5008 Bridge Ave., Cleveland, Ohio

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All by Dr. Mitchell.

We type these notes about two hours after the old vacation passed into the great beyond. Our original idea of no stamps for a week went blooey when habit and a nice lot of mail combined to beat our good intentions.—C. C. W.

News of the outcome of the Hoover Bros. new buro issues contest.

Mr. Goodwin, 1st, 17 credits
Mr. L. Davis, 2nd, 15 credits
Mr. Harvey, 3rd, 14 credits

L. Davis of Beloit who finished second this time won the last contest.

An interesting line from Bob Richardson dated Washington, D. C. Bob must have worried the boys at the Bureau of Eng. and Ptg. as he advises he held the new Rutherford, N. J. B11 plate in his hands. Tried to knock off a period or two for the benefit of your editor but it was no go. He also saw an old experimental plate (never used) for Wilmington, Del. Maybe we can coax Robert for some notes for the column.

We have enjoyed some nice buro breaks correspondence with the Rev. Hiram Van Voorhis. We were able to enveigle a fine scarce Scranton break from this Philatelic Domonic. To repay, we ask that anyone having anything odd or interesting or unusual in Scranton, Pa. precancels buro or otherwise, please write Rev. Van about it at Romney, West Va. Lj B. No. 400.

Thru the courtesy of Dr. Mitchell we were privileged to see a booklet of real buro oddities owned by L. G. Barrett of West Roxbury, Mass. Among the many fine items was a 1½c Newark, N. J. Perf. 10, with the "K" knocked into a perfect "X". Then we note the 1 and 4 cent perf. 10 of Buffalo with a perfect "E" in place of the second "F". Both stamps were left side line enders. Who else has them?

A new issue by Geo. Traeger of Rock Island just misses getting under the wire. Thanks George and try again.

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AIR MAIL FLASHES

EDITED BY H. G. KINGDOM, CONNEAUT, OHIO

This department belongs to our readers and we ask you to send all information received to the Editor as soon as possible and same will be acknowledged

Lindberghs East

The announced flight of the Lindberghs, the Colonel and his wife, to Japan and China is one of the aviation events of the year to be carefully watched. We wish we could give you the list of cities to be visited, as we believe many of them will have celebrations and special markings for covers, but this data may not be available in time to be given to you for your use. It is suggested that the Colonel may be asked to blaze the trail for an air mail route to the Orient and if so, some mail might be carried. Collectors should be on the alert for this event and use their ingenuity, as Japan and China might even issue special stamps for the occasion and we advise every one having correspondents in the far east to get in touch with at once and try to secure covers, and stamps if any, used in honor of our famous ace.

New Stops on A. M. 33

Effective July 1st Monroe, Louisiana, and Abilene, Texas, will be embraced for air mail service on the above route and both offices will be supplied with special cachets. Rush your covers to the postmasters of these cities at once, as this is official notice.

New Numbering

Since May 15th A. M. Route No. 28 from St. Louis to Omaha, and A. M. No. 30 from Chicago to Atlanta have been consolidated and are now known as A. M. 30, Omaha-Atlanta Route.

Also A. M. No. 16 from Cleveland to Nashville and A. M. No. 20 from Albany to Cleveland have been consolidated and are now known as A. M. 20, Albany-Nashville Route, and these changes clear up some confusion in collectors' minds, at the time of the recent extensions.

"Akron" Dedication

The new giant dirigible ZRS-4 will probably be dedicated the last week in July or the first in August, and will be in charge of the Aero-nautical Division of the Chamber of Commerce of that city. The ship will not be taken out of the hangar for christening that day, but will be cut loose from the ways and floated inside the building. This will be a great event in aeronautics. It has not been decided yet whether the city will dedicate its new 800 acre airport on the same day or not. However, I am sure the Chamber will hold covers

for this event whenever you send them.

First Aviatix

How many cover collectors know that one Bessica Raiche, was America's First Aviatix? Her first flight was made with a homemade crate on Sept. 16th, 1910, and she was later presented with a gold medal by the Aeronautical Society which is inscribed, "First Woman Aviator in America". Her health later failed and she studied medicine and is now practicing her profession in southern California. Has any collector a cover carried by this Pioneer, if so, tell us about it.

Our Covers

Those having covers on the DO-X are pleased that after many trials this big flying boat has finally reached South America and will likely succeed in reaching our shores; likewise those who sent covers on the "Nautilus" will rejoice that she has been safely towed into European port. These will probably be the only celebrated covers ever sent by a towed boat. In fact, it is really remarkable the great percentage of our covers, sent on experimental events, which actually return to us, and with such histories, as we hardly expect when they are sent out. This to me, is one of the greatest pleasures of our hobby.

Items

Passenger service between White Sulphur Springs and Charleston, W. Va. will soon be inaugurated by Pocahontas Air Transport. Bluefield, W. Va. will be one of the stops, and a cachet will be provided by the company. Covers may be sent to M. H. Barton, Bluefield, W. Va.

Caro, Mich. will dedicate airport about July 4th with cachet by the Exchange Club. Send covers to Carl Mantey, c/o Thumb Laundry.

Lansing, Mich. Dedication of Municipal Airport July 18-19, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, to whom you may send covers.

W. G. Mendenhall, Box 5708 State College Sta. Raleigh, N. C. sends clipping which indicates that within 60 days they will have Night Air Mail on E. A. T. and he offers to care for covers for this event.

Galesburg, Ill. airport will be dedicated Aug. 1-2 and James

Decker of Prairie City, Ill. is working for a cachet and we know he will succeed. So you better send covers to him.

Flint, Mich. will have an Air Circus July 25-26 featuring the Autogyro plane and perhaps a dirigible. Cachet assured and covers to W. Glenn Holstine, 1509 W. Dartmouth St.

891 covers were mailed at the Pittsfield, Mass., dedication, and were very nicely handled by the Chamber of Commerce Committee.

Albany, Oregon, Airport dedication will be on July 8th when N. W. Air Tour visits that city. Send to Chamber of Commerce.

Shreveport, La. Municipal Airport dedication now definitely set for July 14th and you may still send to Chamber of Commerce.

Syracuse, N. Y. cacheted 420 covers from that city for the recent extension of A. M. 20 to Fort Worth.

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THE NEW DELHI ISSUE OF INDIA

By Frederick Wall in
Gibbons' Stamp Monthly

THE inauguration of the Magnificent Indian capital city of New Delhi comes during what is probably the most critical and momentous period in the history of this mighty old Empire, and naturally anything connected with it must attract much attention here in England. For this alone the new commemorative set of stamps would have some measure of popularity, but, as it happens, they form an issue which, because it is a masterpiece of interest and technical excellence, has proved one of the most sought-after in the whole world.

The Nasik Security Press has excelled itself and done full justice to the delightful designs with which it has been provided. Each stamp bears the head of the King-Emperor in a medallion, but each has been allotted a different central design, and I propose to deal with these latter in their order of value.

First is the quarter anna. This is the only denomination which shows Old Delhi, and here is depicted the Purana Qila. Purana Qila, or Indarpat, is a Mogul fort, built in 1534 by Humayan, and it originally formed one of the seven cities which were once Old Delhi.

The fort is believed to occupy the site of Indraprastha, the legendary city of the Pandus, and in connection with this there is an interesting legend of the desertion of the town which is worth the retelling. The story goes that the power of the Pandus was waning, when one day at dinner the king, Yudisthira, on taking off the cover of a dish, discovered a fly. He thought that the impudence of the insect in daring to enter the palace was sufficient indication that the Pandus was no longer a ruling race, so he and all his court promptly packed up their goods and left the city to whomsoever should be great enough to follow them.

School's Out

and we're not one bit sore. Now we can get together on those nice mint BRITISH COLONIALS which we'll send you on approval. We can't send any "junk", or any "bargains" for we haven't any. However, if you want reasonable prices we can offer you them. References please; juniors must have parents' signature. "Keep Cool".

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There are at present three gates to the Purana Qila but only that shown prominently on the stamp is used. One remains closed forever because in the dim past a certain king went out to battle and had the gate closed until the time when he should return victorious. Unfortunately he was defeated,

Chamber, the Viceroy's House, and the Secretariat, all, again, designed by Lutyens, and of which so much has been said in the British Press that it is unnecessary to write more here.

Lastly, on the one rupee stamp are two of the four Dominion columns which have been presented to the Government of India by the Governments of Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa. They have been designed by Sir Herbert Baker, and are based on fourth-century Indian columns. At the base are the arms of the Dominion and the details of whose gift it is, while at the top is a globe, upon which the position of India is marked by a star, and a full-rigged sailing-ship. All these details are indicated upon the stamp which, because of the originality of its design, is the most attractive of a very attractive issue.



and it is said that the gate has remained shut ever since.

So much for the quarter anna stamp—to me by far the most interesting. The other values all show the new architectural glories of Delhi. On the half anna is the All-India War Memorial, designed by Sir Edward Lutyens. A point to be noticed is the dome on top of the structure. This is hollow, and it was the architect's intention that from the orifice there should spring, by day, a pillar of cloud and by night a flame. Unfortunately, however, financial reasons will limit this display to special occasions.

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CHAUTAUQUA COIN, STAMP AND CURIO CLUB

Big Meeting at Jamestown, N. Y.
June 13-14, 1931.

The Jamestown Morning Post of June 15th, carries a full column about this monster meeting, being the second annual stamp and coin carnival sponsored by this club.

The gathering was held in the Mongolian room of the Hotel Jamestown and the banquet was attended by 102 collectors. Mr. Roscoe B. Martin of Forestville, N. Y. states that a copy of Linn's Weekly Stamp News was at every plate at the banquet table.

Most of the out of town visitors had their wives with them, the location and the time being such as to make a delightful little vacation trip.

Among those from other cities were Charles Manning and H. D. Gibbs of Pittsburgh; Harley Freeman of Cleveland; Richard E. Townsend of New York; Adolf Steeg of Buffalo, Director at Large of the A. P. S.; Henry Hunt, President of the Pittsburgh Coin Club; Henry Chapman, prominent numismatist of Philadelphia; Barney Bluestone, Syracuse dealer also Arthur Gottschalk, another dealer of Syracuse.

Frank Slegt, President of the Buffalo Stamp Club addressed the gathering as did Mr. James Storer, Secretary of the Board of Education of Buffalo who spoke on the work that is being done through schools with stamps.

Eighty out of town visitors were present at the gathering, from points as far west as Portland, Oregon, and from Florida in the south. Twenty different cities were represented. The club was founded in February, 1930, and has 64 active members with 8 applications pending.

The value of the exhibits at this meeting is placed at \$100,000.

On Saturday afternoon an auction of 120 lots was the feature. The sale was handled by Fred Koepf, auctioneer of the Buffalo Stamp Club and very good prices were realized.

Linn's Weekly is indebted to Mr. Roscoe B. Martin of Forestville, N. Y. for the information above.

MISSION MIXTURES

The International Stamp Club, Bronx, N. Y., held its eleventh anniversary meeting Thursday, June 18th at the Leverich Towers Hotel in Brooklyn. The occasion was celebrated with a dinner, after which several interesting talks on stamps were given followed by an auction.

Francis R. Dodge of Laconia, N. Hamp., writes in reference to the Detroit River floating postoffice and says that Laconia also has a floating postoffice.

The U. S. Mailboat Uncle Sam sails from Lakeport, a branch office of Laconia and delivers mail twice daily among the islands of Lake Winnepesaukee. Captain Archie Lewis has a regular postoffice aboard and a staff of employees. A postmark reading "Lake Winnepesaukee R. P. O." is used. The boat goes into commission about June 15th.

Mr. Coleman Blum of the Greenpoint Stamp Exchange sends the Editor a beautiful etching of the new Empire State Building, recently completed, in New York City. This building is 102 stories high. Alfred E. Smith, Democratic candidate for president in 1928 was active in the construction of this beautiful building.

The above remarks cause us to suggest that this new building on a postage stamp would be about as fine a piece of scenery as could be found for a pictorial issue.

The June 1931 number of "Metropolitan Bargain Counter", the monthly journal of the Metropolitan Stamp Co. of New York is at hand. Besides being brim full of bargains on stamps it contains several interesting bits of reading matter. The Metropolitan Stamp Company devote their time exclusively to a mail stamp trade. One thing that makes their list more interesting than the average stamp price list is the excellent workmanship of their printer.

Numerous new covers are at hand this past week. Harry Ioor of Indianapolis sends one commemorating the Hoover Visit of June 15th. First flight covers from Little Rock, Ark., are at hand from John Jungkind and W. J. Kirby. A New Orleans First Flight cover from Rev. Jos. Dreyer and a Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. cover from E. C. Carvey. Another U. S. S. Pennsylvania cover memorializing Flag Day, June 14th is at hand from M. M. Grey.

H. L. Thomas of Aurora, Ill., refers to a recent issue of the Weekly in which the Republican party was accused of abolishing Prosperity and as proof of this the postoffice of Prosperity, N. C. was closed. Mr. Thomas calls attention to the fact that they can not turn time backward so the next best thing is to stop it and therefore the postoffice of Time, Texas, is to be closed June 30th.

A cover commemorating the rededication of the Lincoln Tomb at Springfield, Ill., is at hand from Dr. Homer J. Macnamara whom the Editor had the pleasure of meeting at the recent Tri State Stamp meeting at Indianapolis.

At the same meeting the Editor was presented with a first day red cross cover from Hartford, Conn. This was from Mrs. F. D. Leete, Jr., one of the charming ladies, with which the Indiana Stamp Club is plentifully endowed.

Speaking of Red Cross Stamps, the most attractive cover yet to hand is one from a business concern with which our printing plant has some business and the stamp comes on a mourning envelope carrying the announcement of the death of a member of the firm. This stamp on a mourning envelope looks exactly like it was in its proper place.

Joe T. Camp of Smyrna, Ga., sends a page from an old publication which he states is dated 1855. It bears an article commenting on the failure of the U. S. Congress to pass a bill making the postage rate in this country at 2 cents per letter. It was about 32 years later that the 2c rate was finally put into effect.

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INTERVIEWS WITH STAMP PORTRAITS

By Capt. A. C. Townsend

Mr. Franklin, the editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News has sent me to interview you. Do you feel that you are at all badly treated by having your picture on our 1c stamp?

Not in the least, my boy. You know I originated the saying "A penny saved is a penny earned," so what could be more appropriate than my picture on the penny stamp?

And you must remember that I was honored by having my picture placed on one of the first two stamps issued, my beloved chief, President Washington, being portrayed on the 10c of 1847 and I on the 5c. And I was also pictured on the 30c stamps of 1851 and 1861, so I have been amply honored.

Then I may tell the editor that you have no complaint to make?

None at all; that is, nothing of consequence. Perhaps I should have been better pleased had they kept all my portraits in one color. First they depicted me in a brown study, then as having the blues, then recovering from the yellow jaundice, and now I am shown as very, very green. I think I may say in all modesty that when I visited France and England in the interests of my country their diplomats never claimed that of me!

And which portrait do you enjoy most, Mr. Franklin?

A difficult question, sir. In the early days I much enjoyed traveling around and seeing the remarkable development of our country, but later it was equally delightful to go on the letters abroad and note the political changes in France and England, many of which I had predicted.

Anything else you care to say, sir?

I believe not. I was somewhat put out recently hearing that someone had asked whether my picture on the current 1c stamp was that of Sidney Franklin, the bull fighter. I was many times accused of throwing the bull when I spoke of the coming greatness and importance of my country, of course.

And while I now take it as a matter of no importance when a postal clerk cancels me, I assure you that never in the early days of my life did a man give me a smack in the face without regretting it fully and promptly. I bid you a very good day, sir.

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